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## Memorial Service To Be Held For First Indian Killed In World War II



Locklear-Lowry VFW Post 2843, Pembroke, will host a Memorial Service on Saturday, December 5, 1987 at 3:30 p.m. The service will be held at the Lowry Cemetery at St. Anna. Officiating will be Post Commander Arthur Shull and Post Chaplain Archie Ozendine.

The memorial service will be held in memory of Lt. Wade Hampton Lowry. Lt. Lowry was the first Indian killed during the Battle of Reboul in the South Pacific. The Pembroke VFW Post was named in his honor.

Lt. Lowry, son of the late Charles and Lizzie Lowry, is survived by one sister, Mrs. Ola L. Barger of Charlotte, NC.

## UNC-CH Freshman Named National Indian Student Of The Year

Cedric Woods of Pembroke, a freshman at UNC-Chapel Hill, has been named National Indian Student of the Year by the National Indian Education Association (NIEA).

Woods received a \$1,000 scholarship award during the NIEA conference October 27-31 in Bismarck, North Dakota.

The first Indian in the state to be named a Morehead Scholar at UNC-Chapel Hill, Woods is the state chairperson of the North Carolina Native American Council on Higher Education. He is past chairperson of the North Carolina Native American Youth Organization which sponsored his nomination.

"I offer my personal congratulations to Cedric," Administration Secretary James

S. Lofton said. "His achievement exemplifies his commitment to excellence and is a tribute to his Native American heritage."

The Native American Youth Organization is affiliated with the N.C. Department of Administration's Commission of Indian Affairs, the only state government agency whose specific role is to serve the 65,000 Native Americans living in North Carolina.

NIEA, a national association of American Indian educators, sponsors annual awards for the outstanding Indian student, elder, parent and educator nationwide.

Woods, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harold Woods of Pembroke, is the first North Carolina Indian student to win this award.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

**PEMBROKE CHRISTMAS PARADE SET FOR DEC. 10**  
The fifteenth Annual Pembroke Christmas Parade is scheduled for December 10, 1987 at 3 p.m. The parade is sponsored by the Pembroke Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Pembroke.

The parade line up time will begin at 2:30 p.m. in front of the PSU Performing Arts Center. The parade will proceed east on Main Street then turn left on South Jones Street and continue to Fourth Street, then north on Blaine, then proceed back west on Main Street.

The Pembroke Jaycees have been sponsoring the parade for the last fifteen years. The parade itself has varied in size during that period. There are over 85 units expected this year. All organizations, schools, churches and citizens are encouraged to participate. For more information contact Charles Gregory Cummings at 521-9761 or 521-2784.

The parades in the past have been very colorful with floats, clowns, marching units, bands, queens and of course the main attraction, Santa Claus.

**PLATE SALE PLANNED AT MAGNOLIA**  
Magnolia High School will hold its annual plate sale on Friday, December 4, 1987 from the hours of 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. Barbecue and chicken plates will be on sale for \$3 per plate.

The proceeds from this fund raising event will be used to buy additional instructional supplies and equipment for the school.

**VOTER REGISTRATION PLANNED IN PEMBROKE**  
Registrars in the Pembroke Township are planning a concentrated effort to register everyone who is qualified to vote. Registrars will be located in three shopping areas on Saturday, December 5 to help those who need to register. Hill's Food Store, Piggly Wiggly and Bo's Food Store will have persons there to help voters.

A special appeal goes to those persons who have allowed themselves to be purged from the rolls by not exercising their right to vote, and also those persons reaching the age of 18. Voting is a privilege, so get registered and VOTE!

The hours are from 9 a.m. until

## GARTH LOCKLEAR ANNOUNCES CANDIDACY FOR NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Pembroke-Garth Locklear, a Robeson County Law Enforcement Officer and 20 year employee of the public, has announced his candidacy for the North Carolina House of Representatives in the upcoming primary.

Locklear, a Pembroke native, said in announcing, "I have been a public servant throughout my law enforcement career and I feel I can continue to give service to the people of Robeson, Scotland and Hoke Counties as a member of the House of Representatives."

In outlining his credentials as a candidate, Locklear cited membership and work with local, state and federal agencies and organizations which he says give him a "broad overview" of the effects government has on the citizens of this area.

"I think a representative should never lose track of the people he serves," said Locklear, "and should always be responsive to the needs of those he serves. Their views and their ideas should be carried to the state level by a leader chosen by the voters. And those views and ideas should be presented to the state for the benefit of the citizens, giving them a clear voice on the state level."

A law enforcement officer for the past 20 years, Locklear also has experienced farm life in Robeson County and been self-employed as a businessman.

Relating his experiences in both these areas to the voter's viewpoint, Locklear says, "farmers and businessmen both have needs that should be addressed, just as the needs of teachers, public employees and industrial workers should be addressed."

"My effort as a member of the House of Representatives would be to see that the needs of citizens of Robeson, Scotland and Hoke Counties are heard and that these citizens understand actions which affect them."

Locklear's background is varied and numerous. It includes:

- \*Served in the United States Air Force-1951-55
- \*Police officer-Town of Pembroke 1967-70, served as patrolman and was later promoted to Chief of Police
- \*Full time Deputy Sheriff-Scotland County Sheriff's Department-1970-71-Attained rank of Sergeant
- \*Full time Deputy Sheriff-1971 to present. Served as Deputy Sheriff-Narcotics Investigator-Chief Homicide Investigator
- \*Graduate of Pembroke State University-B.A. Criminal Justice
- \*Member First Baptist Church, Pembroke- Young Adult Sunday School Class Teacher
- \*Member Burnt Swamp Baptist Association, former member Executive Board
- \*Former member Advisory Council at Pembroke Senior High
- \*Former member and Executive Board Member- Robeson County Law Enforcement Officers Association
- \*Former Second Vice President- National Drug Enforcement Officers Association
- \*Served as Executive Officer of North Carolina Criminal Information Exchange
- \*President, Kiwanis Club, Pembroke
- \*Currently Chairman of Planning Board, Town of Pembroke
- \*Supporter of Booster Club, West Robeson High
- \*Recipient, Certificate of Appreciation, National Training Institute Program of the Drug Enforcement Administration for Outstanding Contributions
- \*Recipient of Accommodation from U.S. Postal Inspection Service for assistance in investigation of food stamp sales record manipulation in Robeson County
- \*Certified instructor for the North Carolina Criminal Justice Training and Standards Council



Garth Locklear

- \*Recipient Pembroke Jaycees' award for "Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer"
- \*Recipient White Hill Jaycees' award for "Outstanding Law Enforcement Officer"
- \*Active member of or volunteer with: Help Line, Boy Scouts of America, Vocational Rehabilitation Center, Department of Social Services, Pope Air Force Training, Pembroke State University, Elementary and High School Training
- \*Member of the Committee of 100
- Locklear's training background includes:
  - \*Graduate Pembroke State University and high school while in the U.S. Air Force
  - \*Graduate Pembroke State University-B.A. Criminal Justice
  - \*Certified or graduated from courses authorized by Robeson Technical Institute, Fayetteville Technical Institute, U.S. Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, and Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, North Carolina Dept. of Social Services, U.S. Department of Justice, National District Attorneys Association, International Association of Chiefs of Police, national Training Institute of the Drug Enforcement Administration, Appalachian Regional Bureau of Government, Federal Bureau of Investigation.
- Locklear's personal background:
  - \*Born April 26, 1933-Pembroke, North Carolina- Eighth of twelve children born to the Rev. and Mrs. Clarence E. Locklear
  - \*Farm family member
  - \*Self-employed businessman
  - \*Married former Mary Ellen Richardson
  - \*Father of two sons, Joel Garth Locklear, Jr. and Terry Wayne Locklear.

## Southern States' Stockholders Receive Good Report At Annual Meeting

Members and guests of Southern States Cooperative attending the cooperative's annual stockholders live videoconference originating in Greensboro, NC, on November 18 heard good news from Gene A. James, the association's president and chief executive officer.

"Our share of the market increased in most major product lines," he said. "Our net savings showed significant improvement. In fact, net savings from operations (before taxes and equity income) were the highest since 1981."

"Southern States' business philosophy is very simple: 'Everyone who deals with us should leave each encounter feeling that he has been warmly greeted and fairly treated by an honest, professional, well-run business enterprise.' Everyone on our staff is striving to make that philosophy a reality. Perhaps that is a major reason why this cooperative has concluded its year with the best operating results in some time."

The cooperative's videoconference was telecast from the War Memorial Auditorium in Greensboro's Coliseum Complex. It was viewed by members and guests at 10 other locations across the co-op's six-state territory by means of broadcast signals beamed to satellites and relayed back to earth.

James reported that he is pleased with the performance of our petroleum, feed and farm supply lines, even

though our total dollar volume was down for the year. Price deflation-especially notable in feed, fertilizer and petroleum-was so sharp that it more than offset our growth in unit sales.

Net savings (before taxes and equity income) was \$13 million, up from \$3.8 million last year.

Feed tonnage reached 755,000, up from 614,000 tons of last year.

Fertilizer volume rose to 767,000 tons, up from 735,000 tons for 1985-86.

Petroleum sales totaled \$124 million as compared to \$159.8 million last year, despite the fact that gallonage reached 255 million as compared to 232 million the previous year.

Seed sales stood at \$32.3 million, up from \$27.1 million last year.

Total farm supply and chemical volume increased from \$121.2 million last year to \$135.4 million.

Grain marketing volume was \$73.6 million as compared to \$100.2 million in 1985-86. Bushel volume was 27.5 million as compared to 31.6 million last year.

Southern States' managed member cooperatives had a combined retail volume of \$227.4 million in their respective fiscal years. While this was a decrease from prior year sales, total net savings for these local cooperatives improved from a small minus figure to \$3.6 million for 1986-87.

James said that implementation of Southern States' business philosophy was not the only reason for the improvement in operating results for the year.

"Some segments of agriculture have seen their economic outlook brighten considerably," he said. "Our first full year serving North Carolina farmers allowed us to utilize our manufacturing and distribution facilities more efficiently. And we did some major restructuring."

James said that strategic structural changes were important. "We consolidated 11 operating regions into four, re-ordered responsibilities, streamlined communications and continued grouping retail stores into clusters where appropriate."

"Every implementation was designed to pare expenses, at the same time assuring our patrons service at a level equal or superior to what they had been enjoying."

The program also included a report by board chairman Richard F. Price of Phoenix, MD.

In addition, there were videotaped welcomes from several of the governors of the six states involved, videotaped segments featuring each of the cooperative's 17 directors, and introduction of three newly elected directors plus the announcement of the reappointment of two public directors.

The elected directors are

George E. Fisher of Gordonsville, VA, Galen B. Brubaker of Rocky Mount, VA, and Jere L. Cannon of Flemingsburg, KY. YD Hance of Prince Frederick, MD, and William Vanderwende of Bridgeville, Del., were reappointed public directors for their respective states.

There was also an open forum moderated by Carroll Gilbert, SSC director of member and institutional relations, during which members at the various sites viewing the meeting were able to ask questions of the cooperative's top management.

Thomas M. Kirkpatrick, the cooperative's Central Region manager from Richmond, VA, was the recipient of the president's award for the largest total dollar increase (\$5,557,000) and the greatest percentage of dollar increase (4.2 percent).

Patrik H. Murray, the cooperative's Northern Region manager from Baltimore, MD, received the president's award for balanced performance (volume increase in 19 of the 44 individual commodities).

Southern States members from the Pembroke area were Hardey J. Oxendine, board member, and 25 members and patrons.

Also attending the session was Roy L. Cummings, manager of Southeastern Carolina Pembroke Branch, the local Southern States retail location.

## PSU Graduate Extols Opportunities With U.S. Dept. Of Agriculture

by Gene Warren

Through the efforts of a 1967 PSU graduate in biology named Colonel Locklear (that's his real name), the U.S. Department of Agriculture is beginning an intern program with PSU.

Locklear, 42, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Locklear of the Prospect area, is the officer in charge for the U.S. Agricultural Inspection Services at Dulles International Airport near Washington, D.C.

This means he is responsible for the inspection of anything of a plant, animal, etc., brought into this country at the Dulles Airport.

Handsome and articulate, Locklear has come to his alma mater extolling the many career opportunities offered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Having been employed by that department since graduating from PSU, he is well qualified to discuss its opportunities.

"First, let me point out that we are the second biggest employer in the United States, exceeded only by the U.S. Department of Defense. We have 128,000 employees world-wide. They are employed as mathematicians, engineers, psychologists, financial managers, journalists, photographers, business experts, computer scientists, etc. The Department of Agriculture takes in a huge scope of opportunities," said Locklear.

His reasons for visiting PSU were to emphasize the Agriculture Department's new concentration on minorities. "We are looking for more Hispanics, Native Americans, and Blacks," he said, but added quickly: "This does not mean we are not also looking for qualified whites. We are focusing on Pembroke State because of its heritage as a school for minorities." (Note: PSU was founded as an all-Indian school. Its racial breakdown now is 62.8 percent white, 23 percent Indian and 12.6 percent Black).

"Our agency would like to work with PSU students seeking full employment or internships," said Locklear.

He added that students interested may contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture as early as their sophomore year in college. "They may contact Dr. Diane Jones, director of PSU's Career Planning and Placement Center. She has all of the information," said Locklear. Her telephone number on campus is: (919) 521-4274, Ext. 270.

Locklear said in the intern program, students may work with the Agriculture Departments in the summers or through a cooperative program whereby the students attend school a semester and work with the department a semester.

Although Locklear said his department is interested in students majoring in any discipline, the areas his questionnaire specifically pointed out were: business, accounting, computer science, mathematics and biology.

People who wish to apply directly to the Federal Government for jobs, he said, may contact the Office of Personnel Management in either Washington, D.C., or Atlanta. "Basic entry jobs (GS-5) call for a \$15,000 salary. Honor students may enter at a GS-7 rating, which is \$18,000. Top entry salary is \$35,000," said Locklear.

In talking about how Agriculture Department employees are employed world-wide, Locklear said: "Come and join us and tell us where you want to go."

Besides his B.S. degree at PSU, Locklear has done advanced study through the University of Southern California's extension office in the nation's capital studying safety and health in public information.

Prior to his present work at Dulles International Airport, Locklear also worked at New York's John F. Kennedy Airport for 4 1/2 years, inspecting in-coming agricultural products. He then was transferred to Washington, DC as an agricultural inspector for 4 1/2 years before then joining the safety & health area headquartered there. Last June he assumed his present duties.

Locklear's great-great grandfather was Preston Locklear, a member of the first Board of Trustees for the Indian Normal School (the forerunner of PSU).



COLONEL LOCKLEAR...Helps U.S. Department of Agriculture set up intern program with PSU.